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C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 2197

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E.O. 11652: GDS

SUBJECT: RELEASE FROM DETENTION OF VOA EMPLOYEE

NAIROBI FOR VOA WILLIAMS

REF: ADDIS ABABA 1581

1. VOA CONTRACT EMPLOYEE KAHSU FESSAHAIE WHO DETAINED BY SECURITY POLICE FEBRUARY 10 RELEASED AFTER INTENSIVE INTERROGATION. ACCORDING TO KAHSU, NO CHARGES AGAINST HIM WERE DEVELOPED. HE WAS QUESTIONED ABOUT PASSING INFORMATION TO VOA RELATIVE TO THE ERITREAN SITUATION.

2. BELIEVE THAT RESULT OF COMBINED FORMAL PROTEST BY EMBASSY AND OTHER INFORMAL PRESSURES BROUGHT BY POST ON HIS BEHALF INSTRUMENTAL IN HIS RELEASE. POST CONTINUING INFORMAL EFFORTS THROUGH SECURITY CONTACTS TO OBTAIN RELEASE OF USIS CULTURAL ASSISTANT MICHAEL G. EGZIABHER.  
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